right and proper that said Bonig should have a proper right and title for the property thus acquired by him.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly Make return. of Maryland, That Hanson Willison, late Sheriff of Allegany county, be and he is hereby authorized and required to make a special return to the Circuit Court for Allegany county, of all his proceedings in and about said sale under the writ of Fieri Facias referred to in the preamble to this Act, and that the said Circuit Court for Allegany shall be and is hereby authorized and empowered upon such return, and upon being satisfied by affidavit or otherwise, that the papers referred to in said preamble have been lost, to proceed in the matter of the ratification and confirmation of said sale precisely as is provided in the Maryland Code of Public General Laws, Article 85, Sections 10, 11, 12 and 13, in regard to the ratification of sales under execution from a Justice of the Peace.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That upon the final Ratification. ratification of such sale by said Circuit Court, under the proceedings aforesaid, the said Hanson Willison, late Sheriff as aforesaid, shall be and is hereby authorized and required to convey the said real estate so sold by him as aforesaid to the purchaser thereof, or to her assignee or assignees; and that the deed of conveyance from him, when properly executed and acknowledged, shall have the same effect and force in law as in all other cases of land sold and conveyed by Sheriffs or Constables.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That this Act shall In force. take effect from and after the date of its passage.

Approved March 30, 1868.